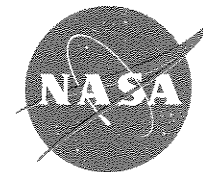


National Aeronautics and Space Administration
Kennedy Space Center
Kennedy Space Center, FL 32899



March 4, 2010

Reply to Attn of:

SEB-ESC

TO: Distribution

FROM: OP/Director, Procurement Office

SUBJECT: Engineering Services Contract (ESC) Reinstatement of the Blackout Period for the Request for Proposal (RFP) NNK10294259R

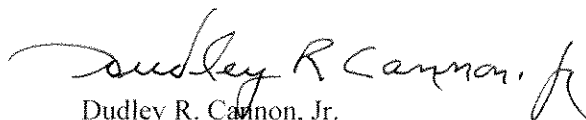
The ESC RFP has been amended with a new proposal due date of April 13, 2010. This letter re-establishes the formal competition phase of the ESC RFP. Therefore, effectively immediately, all NASA personnel shall cease communications and dialogue with industry regarding the ESC acquisition. The formal "blackout period" of exchanges and communication with industry will remain in effect until all proposals have been received and evaluated, the contract awarded and the ESC Source Evaluation Board has been released from its responsibilities.

The ESC acquisition represents a significant business opportunity for the private sector, and intense competition is expected. Prospective offerors will continue to be very proactive in trying to obtain the maximum information possible concerning the work to be done as well as the nature and extent of competition. Anyone seeking information pertaining to this procurement shall be referred to Mary Kiss, SEB-ESC, at 321-867-6264 or facsimile at 321-867-8671 or e-mail at Mary.Kiss-2@nasa.gov.

Limiting the flow of information to a controlled source will help ensure that equal and accurate information is available to all offerors and that each offeror will be treated fairly and have an equal opportunity to effectively compete on this procurement.

NASA personnel responsible for the administration of existing contracts which may involve or relate to any portion of the requirements competed under this procurement must remain fully aware of the sensitive nature of this ongoing procurement and comply with the requirements of this "blackout." While it is recognized that there is a need to maintain a continuing dialogue with existing contractors regarding administration of their existing contracts (and any task orders which may relate to the ESC requirements), you shall not discuss nor offer any information regarding the ESC procurement in your administration of the existing contracts.

It is important that all NASA personnel adhere to the above-stated policy so our goal of treating all prospective offerors impartially may be achieved.


Dudley R. Cannon, Jr.

Distribution:
STD-L